



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re: U.S. Patent Application of Francine GOULET, ET AL.

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For: CONNECTIVE TISSUE SUBSTITUTES, METHOD OF PREPARATION AND USES THEREOF

REPLY TO OFFICIAL ACTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Commissioner for Patents

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Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir/Madam:

This letter is filed in response to the Office Action dated May 17, 2004. Please note that an original executed Power of Attorney and Correspondence Address Indication Form (PTO/SB/81) and Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b) (PTO/SB/96) are being filed concurrently herewith under separate cover, copies of which are attached hereto.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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